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From the Staff ...

Major Kemp A. Shoun
Administrative Services Bureau



Is There A Downside To Technology?

Over the last several months, I have had the opportunity to attend the Missouri Police Chiefs Association Command College. The class meets periodically and includes 20 officers representing police agencies from several areas of the state. In my interaction with other officers it has become clear that technology is a driving force in almost all of our agencies, and that modern social media preoccupies much of our time. That should be no surprise since public service mirrors the society we serve. The new generation of employees demands a certain level of technology that we didn't used to offer at the Patrol.

Technology has had a major positive impact on public service agencies. There are some extremely important upsides to technology. It keeps us better connected, allows us to be more mobile, and allows us to disseminate information more quickly. It assists us in solving crimes, and it also makes us much more efficient as well. The good list is long and keeps growing with the implementation of new ideas.

Now the downside: Technology has advanced at a speed that has outpaced legislation, case law, and policies. Many agencies have resisted embracing technology. Most agencies are rushing to fill policy gaps or create policies dealing with social media, Internet use, confidentiality of information, and proper use of information. There may soon be state and federal regulations dealing with what information can be accessed and how it can be used or shared with others. The Andrew Snowden case brought to light some practices of the National Security Administration (NSA) that have produced nationwide backlash. Recently, the Missouri Legislature has looked at issues concerning license plate readers and the information they collect, the use of drones, the use of cell phone information, what types of information should be shared with the federal government, and many more.

As an agency, we must safeguard information we collect or store. There must be a quality control on the information we upload into any of the numerous databases we deal with regularly. The amount of information we now have at our fingertips requires us to restrict the access to this information and set up protection and rules for each database. The old days of dedicated phone lines have been replaced with Internet access. The Internet portals into our agency are always under attack.

How does this relate to you as an employee? The Patrol is one of those agencies that has been on top of policy changes to some degree. For example, at times we are frustrated by the restrictions we encounter on the Internet. However, those restrictions also protect the portals to our databases. Newer technology will translate to upgraded policies and procedures in the future. We may not be perfect, but the employees of the MSHP use and access technology every day with the best intentions in mind. Good policies protect the employees, the agency, and the public from the downside of technology.

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Troopers Attend National Interdiction Conference



(l to r) Tpr. Ben R. Hilliard, Troop H, Tpr. J. Patrick Johnson, Troop B, Tpr. Chris D. Hamlett, Troop E, Tpr. Mark L. Starmer, Troop H, Tpr. Liere R. Dancy, Troop A, and Tpr. Dennis D. Mathes, Troop A, attended the National Interdiction Conference in Mufreesboro, TN, from March 29 to April 4, 2014. The training took an "all crimes" approach and provided excellent information. Officers from all over the United States and some from Canada attended.

Cover

(l to r) Tpr. Jason W. Philpott, Troop G, Mrs. Ashley Philpott, Cpl. Amye D. Johnson (Troop G) holding Miss Allye Johnson, Tpr. Daniel J. Johnson, Troop G, and Col. Ron Replegle are pictured.

Community Comes Together To Support Tpr. Barnett

By Sgt. Gara N. Howard, Troop H

On January 6, 2014, Trooper Dan F. Barnett, Troop H, suffered a catastrophic stroke which resulted in numerous medical complications and surgeries. Tpr. Barnett was hospitalized for nearly seven weeks before being released to come home to Bethany, MO. While Dan was in the hospital, he and his wife, Ann, welcomed twin boys, Jason and Clinton.

Since Dan's stroke, several people have donated their time, money, services, and skills to help the Barnetts.

Many of Dan's zone mates and troop mates have helped with transporting Dan to his long and rigorous therapy sessions and helping complete some projects at the house, which Dan was working on before the arrival of the twins. On April 5, 2014, the Harrison County commu-

nity came together and held the Dan Barnett Family Benefit. The benefit was arranged by Harrison County Sheriff Josh Eckerson (retired MSHP Sgt. Dave Eads' son-in-law), teachers from the South Harrison School (where Ann is a kindergarten teacher), church members, and numerous area businesses and individuals.

A donation meal was provided along with a silent auction. The benefit helped raise approximately \$8,400, which will go toward medical ex-

penses. The leftovers were served at the Troop H April sergeants meeting where an additional \$147 was raised. The Barnetts would like to thank each and every person who helped make the event a success. They have been overwhelmed at the amount of support the community has provided and appreciate each and every thought and prayer directed their way. Please think of Dan and his family as he continues to work toward a full recovery.



Pictured is part of the crowd enjoying a meal at the South Harrison High School.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Eli Benjamin

Mr. Mark K. & Trainer/Auditor I
Michelle L. Frey
Q/CJISD

Blaine Lawrence

Tpr. David L. & Mrs. Olivia J.
Johnson
Troop D

Jason Dale Clinton Walker

Tpr. Daniel F. & Mrs. Ann M.
Barnett
Troop H

Kayle Kevin

Tpr. Colby W. & Mrs. Heather C.
Tierney
Troop I

Lily Anna

Mr. Ryan W. & Comm. Oper. Nicole K.
Fowler
Troop A

Brooks Scott

CVE Insp. I Ryne S. & Mrs. Jessica L.
Branum
Troop E

Sadie Marie

Tpr. Tye W. & Mrs. Amy M.
DeCramer
Troop F

Brooklynne Marie

Cpl. Joe T. & Mrs. Erica J. Peart
Troop I

Jack Clinton

Tpr. Rob L. & Mrs. Jennifer N. Stark
Troop I

Troop I, Rolla PD Sponsor Area Plunge

By Sgt. Dan J. Crain, Troop I

On February 15, 2014, Troop I and the Rolla Police Department teamed up to organize the area's first Polar Bear Plunge event. Teams from local businesses, the Phelps County Regional Medical Center, Rolla Police Department, and students from the Missouri University of Science & Technology and Rolla High School all participated to help make this first event a huge success. The Troop I team chose to stick together and dive at Lake of the Ozarks' Polar Bear Plunge, so that they could support their co-worker, Corporal Joe T. Peart, who participated in the "24-Hour Super Plunge."

Frigid temperatures and a steady breeze made conditions quite fitting for the scheduled venue—a recreational quarry owned by Rolla Police Chief Mark Kears. Chief Kears's quarry and property, which includes a multitude of unique constructed buildings and obstacles designed for his "Fugitive Run" endurance events, was a perfect setting for this Special Olympics Missouri fundraiser. Just as one might encounter in an actual arctic climate, prior to the event, approximately four to six inches of ice had to be removed from the quarry to create an ade-

quate diving hole for the plungers.

Approximately 103 brave souls ignored the cold conditions and made the plunge. Most notable of the participants was 91-year-old Louise Rice, of Sullivan, MO. According to Troop I Lieutenant Steve P. Davis, who serves as the Region Six Law Enforcement Torch



91-year-old Louise Rice, of Sullivan, MO, participated in the first ever Region Six Polar Bear Plunge.



Run coordinator, the event raised approximately \$22,000. Lt. Davis said he and fellow Region Six Polar Bear Plunge organizers are grateful to everyone who contributed either their time or money to make this festive event such a success. According to Lt. Davis, they are already looking forward to next year's Region Six Plunge, with plans to make it even bigger and better.

Plungers at the Region Six event dive into the freezing water.



Supporters stayed bundled up while watching the 103 brave plungers take part in the Region Six Polar Bear Plunge.

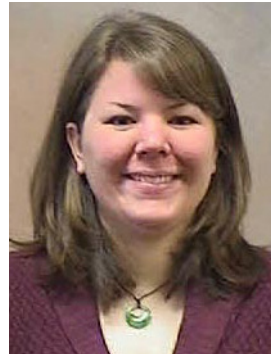
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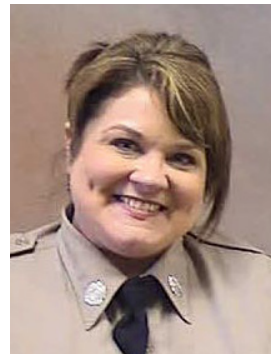
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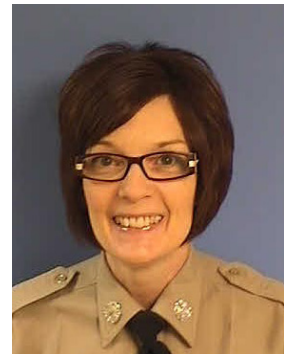
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Q/CVED



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Q/CLD

Iowa Residents Named Honorary Troopers

By Sgt. Brent J. Bernhardt, Troop B

On Wednesday, March 5, 2014, the Missouri State Highway Patrol presented Honorary Trooper Awards to Ms. Tiffany Barton, of Montrose, Iowa, and Ms. Jessica Beam, of Donnellson, Iowa, for their quick actions of reporting an elderly woman crawling in a bean field and then directing officers to her location.

On June 30, 2013, Ms. Barton and Ms. Beam were traveling on U.S. Highway 61 in rural Clark County when they observed an elderly lady crawling in a bean field. The two young ladies quickly reported what they had seen to law enforcement authorities and stayed in the area to provide assistance. Trooper Brian T. Hillyer, Troop B, was dispatched to the scene. Upon arriving, he made contact with Barton and Beam, who informed him they had last seen the elderly lady crawl from the bean field toward a row of trees. As Tpr. Hillyer repositioned his patrol car, he spotted a vehicle in a deep ditch that could not be seen from the roadway. After a brief search of the area, Tpr. Hillyer was able to locate the elderly lady, who

was from the St. Peters, MO, area. It was determined that the woman was suffering from dementia and dehydration. Thus, she was transported to the Keokuk Area Hospital for treatment. A subsequent investigation revealed the lady had been missing from her home since the previous day.

Tpr. Hillyer recommended Ms. Barton and Ms. Beam receive the

Honorary Trooper Awards for taking the time to stop and report something out of the ordinary and, in this case, saving the life of the elderly woman. "I feel if they had not taken the initiative to call about the woman and direct me to the area where she was last seen, she would have been in grave danger due to her medical condition," said Tpr. Hillyer.



(left) Sgt. Mike E. Kauth, Troop B, who serves as the zone commander for Zone 6, Clark and Scotland counties, and Tpr. Brian Hillyer (right) presented Honorary Trooper Awards to (center, l to r) Ms. Jessica Beam and Ms. Tiffany Barton.

'Looking Beyond The Stop'

The following officers are to be commended for looking beyond the initial traffic/boating stop. Each of these officers made at least one arrest during the period of February 20, 2013 to April 21, 2014. (Editor's note: This column excludes DWI/BWI arrests, warrant arrests, and "plain sight" situations. Keep in mind that there must be information in the "miscellaneous" section of the radio report to be considered for this column.)

Troop A

Tpr. T.A. Baxter, 4 arrests
Tpr. D.C. Belardo, 6 arrests
Sgt. A.J. Bell, 1 arrest
Sgt. W.P. Bremer, 1 arrest
Cpl. D.W. Campbell, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.J. Chapman, 1 arrest
Tpr. E.E. Crabtree, 2 arrests
Tpr. L.R. Dancy, 1 arrest
Tpr. Q.L. Dinovi, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.R. Dodson, 3 arrests
Tpr. S.E. Dodson, 1 arrest
Cpl. D.E. Fessenden, 1 arrest
Sgt. K.M. Fisher, 1 arrest
Tpr. S.S. Gates, 2 arrests
Tpr. T.I. Goolsby, 2 arrests
Tpr. A.J. Gray, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.D. Hall, 1 arrest
Tpr. B. Hamerle, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.M. Harrison, 2 arrests
Sgt. D.J. Hedrick, 2 arrests
Tpr. A.M. Jeffreys, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.A. Jones, 3 arrests
Tpr. D.C. Kissinger, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.J. Kline, 3 arrests
Tpr. J.T. Langsdale, 1 arrest
Tpr. E.A. Lusk, 1 arrest
Sgt. R.B. McGinnis, 2 arrests
Tpr. C.D. Moeller, 1 arrest
Sgt. G.D. Primm, 7 arrests
Tpr. B.M. Ryun, 2 arrests
Tpr. C.T. Schwarz, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.T. Thomas, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.D. Wohler, 2 arrests
Tpr. M.J. Yoder, 3 arrests

Troop B

Cpl. R.H. Bartels, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.D. Davidson, 4 arrests
Cpl. K.E. Easley, 2 arrests
Tpr. L.C. Ewigman, 1 arrest
Tpr. G.L. Gaines, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.K. Hendershott, 1 arrest
Tpr. M.J. Lewis, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.D. Primm, 2 arrests

Sgt. T.D. Shoop, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.D. Tappendorf, 1 arrest

Troop C

Tpr. J.A. Ashby, 1 arrest
Tpr. O.R. Baker, 1 arrest
Tpr. K.L. Brown, 1 arrest
Sgt. J.R. Campbell, 6 arrests
Tpr. R.W. Clement, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.L. Hutchings, 1 arrest
Tpr. N.V. Jannin, 3 arrests
Cpl. T.R. Jenkins, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.G. Johnson, 3 arrests
Cpl. E.R. Kessler, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.E. Lacy, 1 arrest
Tpr. P.C. Long, 2 arrests
Tpr. L.B. Lairmore, 2 arrests
Tpr. M.H. Mistler, 1 arrest
Cpl. J.D. Oughton, 2 arrests
Tpr. T.L. Peters, 1 arrest
Cpl. J.M. Potocki, 1 arrest
Tpr. P.G. Sarakas, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.R. Sauer, 1 arrest
Sgt. W.B. Sevier, 1 arrest
Tpr. A.D. Smith, 3 arrests
Tpr. J.R. Summers, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.R. Thompson, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.P. Verdone, 1 arrest
Cpl. R.L. Watson Jr., 1 arrest
Tpr. J.E. Williams, 3 arrests
Tpr. A.L. Woods, 1 arrest

Troop D

Tpr. T.A. Barrett, 1 arrest
Sgt. G.L. Braden, 1 arrest
Tpr. Z.K. Bryan, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.L. Coffey, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.T. Day, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.D. Fieser, 1 arrest
Cpl. M.D. Green, 2 arrests
Cpl. T.L. Hall, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.L. Johnson, 3 arrests
Tpr. J.J. Long, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.L. Mason, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.R. Rorie Jr., 2 arrests

Tpr. D.W. Scotten, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.A. Stallcup, 4 arrests
Tpr. R.A. Stewart, 1 arrest
Tpr. W.S. Lashmet, 1 arrest
Tpr. L.E. Rawson, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.W. Riley, 2 arrests
Cpl. E.J. Walker, 1 arrest
Tpr. W.J. Wood, 1 arrest

Troop E

Tpr. C.B. Christian, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.C. Cooksey Jr., 1 arrest
Cpl. D.W. Crank, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.L. DeJournett, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.W. Eakins, 1 arrest
Tpr. M.B. Foster, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.R. Gibson Jr., 1 arrest
Cpl. P.C. Hazelwood III, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.W. Hunter, 2 arrests
Tpr. M.B. Lomedico, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.R. Nelson, 2 arrests
Cpl. R.D. Owens, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.S. Palmer, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.L. Purnell, 2 arrests
Tpr. E.M. Reynolds, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.L. Rieffe, 1 arrest
Cpl. M.L. Scoggins, 1 arrest
Cpl. M.G. Slaughter, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.J. West, 9 arrests
Tpr. J.T. Wilson, 5 arrests
Tpr. B.D. Wunderlich, 1 arrest

Troop F

Cpl. B.W. Adamson, 2 arrests
Tpr. S.A. Brazas, 3 arrests
Cpl. M.G. Broniec, 8 arrests
Tpr. Z.A. Czerniewski, 2 arrests
Tpr. R.R. Dowd, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.L. Fouch, 9 arrests
Tpr. C.C. Frame, 3 arrests
Tpr. A.M. Hitt, 2 arrests
Cpl. S.B. Johnson, 3 arrests
Tpr. M.G. Kettenbach, 3 arrests

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Sgt. S.M. Lance, 2 arrests
Tpr. R.M. Malone III, 1 arrest
Sgt. A.J. Mattox, 3 arrests
Tpr. J.D. Miller, 1 arrest
Cpl. R.S. Miller, 2 arrests
Tpr. T.O. Mitchell, 2 arrests
Cpl. M.E. Morice, 3 arrests
Cpl. C.J. North, 1 arrest
Tpr. W.R. Plumley Jr., 1 arrest
Tpr. M.L. Rice, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.C. Richardson, 1 arrest
Tpr. K.A. Seabaugh, 1 arrest
Tpr. N.R. Schaffer, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.K. Sullivan, 4 arrests
Cpl. R.S. Thompson, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.M. Worthley, 1 arrest

Troop G

Cpl. E.A. Cooper, 1 arrest
Sgt. J.A. Cravens, 1 arrest
Cpl. S.M. Dougherty, 1 arrest

Tpr. R.M. Greenan, 4 arrests
Tpr. J.M. Heimsoth, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.J. Johnson, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.C. Kuessner, 3 arrests
Tpr. R. Pace, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.W. Philpott, 3 arrests
Cpl. T.A. Richardson, 1 arrest
Tpr. E.M. VanWinkle, 4 arrests

Troop H

Sgt. L.M. Allen, 3 arrests
Tpr. S.J. Cool, 1 arrest
Cpl. H.B. Cowan, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.M. Cross, 2 arrests
Tpr. T.B. Heintz, 3 arrests
Tpr. B.R. Hilliard, 4 arrests
Tpr. K.F. Jeffers, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.A. Landi, 1 arrest
Cpl. B.E. Maudlin, 2 arrests
Tpr. Q.R. McConkey, 1 arrest
Cpl. J.E. Peabody, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.N. Raney, 1 arrest
Tpr. V.F. Selsor, 1 arrest

Tpr. M.L. Starmer, 2 arrests
Tpr. C.J. Sullivan, 1 arrest
Sgt. M.A. Wilhoit, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.R. Zach, 2 arrests

Troop I

Tpr. C.R. Capps, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.S. Cunningham, 3 arrests
Cpl. L.D. DeClue, 2 arrests
Cpl. D.E. Dicus, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.D. Fariole, 3 arrests
Cpl. A.N. Fulkerson, 4 arrests
Cpl. E.T. Hane, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.R. McCurdy, 5 arrests
Tpr. G.R. Moravec, 1 arrest
Tpr. G.S. Sloan, 1 arrest
Tpr. N.A. Smith, 3 arrests
Tpr. C.W. Tierney, 1 arrest
Tpr. P.V.J. Volkmer, 3 arrests

Troop B Conducts Student Alliance Program

By Sgt. Brent J. Bernhardt, Troop B

On March 22, 2014, 23 Troop B area high school students, representing 16 high schools, completed the 2014 Troop B Missouri State Highway Patrol Student Alliance Program. The program was conducted at the Troop B Headquarters in Macon, MO, on Saturday, March 15, 2014, and Saturday, March 22, 2014. During the two-day program, students were familiarized with many duties performed by a Missouri state trooper, and participated in hands-on activities, such as firing a Glock pistol, stop and approach, and crime scene investigations. The students also observed a canine demonstration. The program, which targeted juniors and seniors in high school, was conducted to provide an opportunity for interested individuals to learn

more about law enforcement and the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Each participant was presented a certificate of completion and a Missouri State Highway Patrol T-shirt.

Students attending the program were: Jared Clay, of Kirksville, MO; Jamison Craig, of Unionville, MO; Sarrah Diamond, of Hannibal, MO; Donovan Douglas, of Macon, MO; John Dwiggins, of Macon; Taylor Enlow, of Memphis, MO; Caleb Garzanelli, of Novinger, MO; Lucas Hargrove, of Kahoka, MO; Larry Hodson, of

Hannibal; Emily Jennings, of Macon; Cheyanne Kitchen, of Huntsville, MO; Taylor Leftwich, of Palmyra, MO; Jacob Maldonado, of Bucklin, MO; Hannah McLaughlin, of Kirksville; Nolan McMurry, of Shelbyville, MO; Rebecca Nelson, of Macon; Dakota Peterson, of Bucklin, MO; Bria Preston, of Novelty, MO; Erik Sappington, of Queen City, MO; JoAnn Schwieter, of Macon; Jeremy Ward, of Kirksville; Danielle Wheelan, of Paris, MO; and Keegan Wyatt, of Callao, MO.



Troop B's 2014 Student Alliance Program participants are pictured.

Spotlight

Section Chief Scott R. Bigham



Appointment date: February 1, 1989.

First Assignment: Probationary Radio Operator, Troop C, St. Louis.

Promotions/Reclassifications: Radio & Telecommunications Technician — August 1, 1990; Radio & Telecommunications Technician 1st Class—February 1, 1992; Shop Technician— February 15, 1998; Shop Engineer—September 1, 1999; Technical Shop Engineer —October 1, 2002; Chief—July 1, 2004; Chief Operator—July 1, 2008; Section Chief—December 1, 2013.

Current Assignment: Section Chief, Information & Communications Technology Division, General Headquarters. Scott manages the Infrastructure Support Unit and MOSWIN Support Unit. He also serves as the Missouri APCO local frequency advisor, a position he has held since 2007.

Family: Scott and his wife, Jocelyn, were married in 1993. They have three grown children, Tara, David, and Paul, and a grandson, Cole.

Interests: Scott enjoys spending time with family, doing yard work, and fishing (when he and Jocelyn can find the time to get away). He feels fortunate, and has enjoyed each and every assignment with the Patrol over his 25+ years. The recent changes in the ICTD management structure will provide him the opportunity to work with Patrol radio field engineers and help them keep the Patrol communications network up and running out in the field. He is looking forward to the challenge, but, he admits that after a long career, he also looks forward to retirement with Jocelyn—building a small house in the country, doing some traveling, and a lot more fishing!

Clerk Typist III C. Michele Parrott



Appointed: August 1, 2012.

First/Current Assignment: Clerk Typist III, Troop E Headquarters.

Family: Michele is married to Corporal Clark D. Parrott, Troop E's public information and education officer. They live in Dexter, MO, and have three children: Jordan and her husband, Klayton, who live in New Mexico, Natalie, who attends College of the Ozarks, and Hunter, who is a freshman at Dexter High School.

Interests: Michele is a graduate of Potosi High School and attended Jefferson College in Hillsboro, MO. Prior to her work with the Patrol, she was employed as a medical transcriptionist. Her job duties with the Patrol include processing uniform citations, the troop schedule, troop memorandums, and incoming bills. She thoroughly enjoys her job and loves her Patrol "family."

TRAFFIC FATALITIES				
Year To Date June 30, 2014	Same Period Last Year Year To Date	Number Of Increase Or Decrease	2012 Traffic Fatalities	2013 Traffic Fatalities
344	335	+9	826	758

Note: These totals do not include late deaths.

“Lead me, follow me,
or get out of my way.”

— General George Patton

Anniversaries

June

20 years

Sgt. Casey A. Jadwin, Q/DDCC
CDL Exam. G. Christy Talbert,
Troop D

15 years

Specialist II Jennifer J. Call,
Q/CJISD
Chief MVI Jeff A. Towns,
Troop C

10 years

Tpr. Nick J. Borgmeyer, Troop F
CDL Exam. Aud. Chris A.
Couch, Troop F
CITS I Michelle J. Fooks,
Q/ICTD
DE Sprv. Tina M. Johnson,
Troop D

5 years

Clerk Typist III H. Kate
Hopkins, Q/HRD
Clerk IV Mary A. Redel, Q/FFD
Food Service Mgr. E. Anne
Robinson, Q/TND
Comm. Oper. II Cassie M.
Sinden, Troop I

July

35 years

Capt. Brad W. Jones, Q/TFD
Capt. Bob L. Powell, Troop A
Lt. Bob F. Wolf, Troop C

25 years

Spec. Asst. Kerry L. Bax,
Q/ASB
CVO Sprv. I Kyle E. Cullifer,
Troop B
Sgt. Mike A. Cunningham,
Q/DDCC
Sgt. Monte T. Delmain, Q/GD
Capt. Lester D. Elder, Q/MVI
Sgt. Rick C. Fletcher Jr.,
Troop A
Sgt. Matt K. Funderburk,
Troop D
Sgt. Brian N. Harrell, Q/GD
Cpl. Perry C. Hazelwood III,
Troop E
Sgt. Jeff L. Heath, Q/DDCC
Lt. Rick D. Herndon, Q/DDCC
Lt. H. Dale Hicks, Troop G
Sgt. Gary S. Horton, Troop D
Lt. John J. Hotz, Q/PIED

Cpl. Dave L. Hughes, Q/GD
Sgt. Dwell T. Isringhausen, Q/
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Sgt. Terry L. Mast Jr., Troop D
Sgt. Marc A. McCalister, Troop C
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Sgt. Roger L. Renken, Q/DDCC
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Lt. Jeff N. Vitale, Troop E
Sgt. Dan P. Wohnoutka, Q/AD

20 years

Cpl. Christine A. Bogart, Q/CJISD
Sgt. Gary L. Braden, Troop D
Sgt. Mac H. Brand, Q/DDCC
Sgt. Bill P. Bremer, Troop A
Cpl. Mark G. Broniec, Troop F
MVI III Janna K. Clamme, Troop I
Sgt. Cory W. Craig, Q/DDCC
Sgt. C. Joey Day, Q/TND
Lt. Mark S. Dochterman, Q/RDD
Sgt. Brian S. Hagerty, Troop A
Sgt. Don M. Hedrick, Troop I
Cpl. J. Todd Hedrick, Troop C
Bldg. & Grnds. Maint. Supv. Tom
A. Hoelscher, Troop F
Cpl. Steve C. Jones, Troop D
Lt. Kevin C. Kelley, Q/CVED
Sgt. Jeffery R. Kinder, Troop G
Sgt. Dennis L. Kuechler, Troop D
Cpl. Ron D. Kyle, Troop F
Sgt. Kevin W. Malugen, Q/FOB
Cpl. Mark C. Mason, Troop D
Tpr. Ronny L. Mast, Troop D
Sgt. Jamie L. Musche, Q/DDCC
Sgt. Scott L. Nelson, Troop G
Sgt. John A. Oliveras, Troop F
Sgt. Jeff M. Owen, Q/DDCC
Cpl. Mark A. Pate, Troop A
Cpl. Jeff L. Prewitt, Troop D
Sgt. Mark B. Richardson, Troop H
Sgt. Dave P. Roberts, Troop B
Cpl. J. Warren Robinson, Troop C
Tpr. Lowell W. Sanders, Troop G
Sgt. Kenny J. Schulte, Q/DDCC
Cpl. Tom G. Sims, Troop A
Sgt. Perry L. Smith, Q/DDCC
Cpl. Eric R. Stacks, Q/DDCC
Tpr. Thomas J. Stevens, Troop D
Cpl. Tom R. Walley, Q/RDD
Sgt. Jason C. Weisacosky,
Q/DDCC

Tpr. Rob R. Wilkins, Troop D

15 years

Crim. Sprv. Angela E. Heckman,
Q/CLD
Criminalist III Karen M. Hoover,
Q/CLD

10 years

Technician III Amy M. Barnes,
Q/CJISD
Comm. Tech. III Kevin L. Braun,
Q/ICTD
MVI III Troy M. Foley, Troop E
MVI Sprv. George J. Hollmann,
Troop C
Auto. Tech. III Randy J.
Lehmen, Q/FFD
Comm. Tech. II Jack A. Martin,
Q/ICTD

5 years

Tpr. Jason S. Albers, Q/GD
Criminalist III Erin E. Bailey,
Q/CLD
Tpr. Katie M. Bishop, Troop C
Chief Tech. Bill J. Brester,
Q/ICTD
Tech. Support Mgr. Harold D.
Burnette Jr., Q/ICTD
Tpr. David A. Close, Troop C
Tpr. Jonathan M. Conrad, Troop
C
Tpr. John M. Harrison, Troop A
Tpr. R. Jayson Hastings, Troop
A
Tpr. Adam S. Huskey, Troop C
Tpr. Adam R. Johnson, Troop E
CVE Insp. III Taremba
Karizamimba, Troop E
Tpr. Dennis D. Mathes, Troop A
Tpr. Rick I. McQuerrey II,
Troop A
Tpr. Jason D. Miller, Troop F
Tpr. Douglas W. Pfeifer Jr.,
Troop I
Tpr. Jason W. Philpott, Troop G
Technician II Mary A. Reid,
Q/CJISD
Tpr. Jake R. Sellars, Troop I
Tpr. Jayson R. Spain, Troop E
Tpr. Cory M. Stauffer, Troop B
Tpr. Ralicia A. Tyler, Troop I
Tpr. Nathan D. Wallace, Troop A
Tpr. G. Blake Wright, Troop A
Tpr. Matt J. Yoder, Troop A

DPS Recognizes Palmer, Pratt

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

Department of Public Safety Director Jerry Lee named Trooper Joseph S. Palmer and Trooper Brooks A. Pratt, both Troop E, the DPS Employees of the Month for March 2014. Director Lee presented the awards at a ceremony on March 17, 2014, at General Headquarters, Jefferson City, MO. This honor is the result of the officers' actions at the scene of a traffic crash.

On December 24, 2013, Trooper Joseph S. Palmer responded to a single vehicle crash on Missouri Route E in New Madrid County. A passenger car had traveled off the roadway and overturned in a water-filled drainage ditch. The air temperature was 25 degrees and the water temperature was near freezing. The vehicle was on its top in eight feet of water. A bystander alerted Trooper Palmer to the fact that the driver was trapped inside.

Without regard for his personal safety, Tpr. Palmer entered the water and dove to the vehicle. He attempted to open the driver and passenger side doors to no avail. An attempt to break a window also failed. Tpr. Palmer exited the water to notify Troop E of the situation. Trooper Brooks A. Pratt

arrived on the scene, and together, the troopers entered the water and dove to the submerged vehicle. This attempt to gain access into the vehicle also failed. Trooper Dylan L. DeJournett arrived on the scene and suggested that a first responder utilize their personal truck to attempt to pull the submerged vehicle out of the water.

Tpr. Palmer secured a tow rope to the undercarriage of the vehicle. Unfortunately, the truck was unable to pull the vehicle far enough out of the water to free the driver. A tow truck arrived and, eventually, was able to pull the vehicle halfway out of the water. Tpr. DeJournett opened the driver side door. Tpr. Pratt and a New Madrid County deputy entered the water and attempted to free the driver from the vehicle. However, the driver's legs were pinned, prompting Tpr. Pratt to enter the vehicle's water-filled passenger compartment to free them. Tpr. Pratt and the deputy were then able to pull the driver to dry land. Unfortunately, paramedics were unable to revive the driver.

"They never gave up," said Colonel Ron Replogle during the DPS

Employee of the Month presentation. "They kept entering the water ... kept coming up with different ideas trying to save this person's life. Even though the life was lost, their efforts were pretty phenomenal."

"You tried multiple times to save this person," said Director Lee to Troopers Palmer and Pratt. "I think you should be recognized for that dedication to duty. You live up to the motto to Serve and Protect. The citizens of Missouri should be proud of what you do for Missouri. I congratulate you on your efforts."

Both Colonel Replogle and Director Lee presented challenge coins to the officers. Their names also have been inscribed on the DPS Employee of the Month traveling plaque. It is interesting to note that the plates for the first quarter of 2014 all bear the names of Missouri State Highway Patrol members.

Congratulations, Trooper Palmer and Trooper Pratt!



(l to r) Col. Ron Replogle, Patrol superintendent, presented an MSHP challenge coin to Tpr. Joe Palmer and Tpr. Brooks Pratt, both Troop E, after they accepted the March 2014 DPS Employee of the Month awards from DPS Director Jerry Lee.

FIRE DESTROYS GHQ GARAGE

By Sgt. Paul J. Reinsch, Troop F

The main garage building of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, located behind Troop F Headquarters, was destroyed by fire during the early morning hours of April 8, 2014. The fire damaged the majority of the structure with early estimates exceeding \$5 million.

At approximately 12:54 a.m., Troop F communications was alerted to several thermal alarms that had been activated inside the garage. Corporal Kyle A. Green, who was completing paperwork in the zone office at Troop F, was notified by Troop F communications and asked to respond to the garage. Cpl. Green exited Troop F and traveled across the parking lot to observe the building at the bottom of the hill. He observed large flames through the glass of the garage doors. He immediately went back into Troop F and directed communications personnel to contact the fire department. After arriving at the scene, the large blaze was extinguished approximately one hour later.

The Division of Fire Safety, Office of the State Fire Marshal, is conducting the investigation into the origin of the fire. Preliminary reports suggest the fire may have originated in a pickup truck parked inside the garage.



A fire destroyed the GHQ Garage on April 8, 2014, including 10 work bays, the car wash, and the warehouse and vehicle detail area. The Radio Shop (east end of the building; not pictured), which sustained smoke damage, was operational within a few days.

In addition to the garage structure, the damage included vehicles, tools, tires, and other automotive equipment.

Due to the extensive damage to the GHQ Garage, service and repair operations were moved to temporary facilities on MoDOT Drive. MoDOT provided the temporary garage space behind its central office on Missouri Boulevard in Jefferson City. Car trades and some emergency warning equipment repairs continued

to be performed at the new Marine Shop behind Troop F Headquarters.

"I want to thank everyone for their patience and understanding since the fire," said Fleet and Facilities Division Director Larry Rains. "Please let me know if there is anything we can do to improve our services or better assist you."



Although most of the hand tools were salvaged, the GHQ Garage is considered a complete loss. A total of eight vehicles burned.

Promotions



Travis S. Croft
Sergeant
Troop C



John G. Huber
Sergeant
Q/DDCC



Matt B. Koch
Sergeant
Troop A



Scott M. Lance
Sergeant
Troop F



Darrin K. Lilleman
Sergeant
Q/DDCC



Jason M. Mattingly
Sergeant
Troop B



Robert G. May II
Sergeant
Troop I



W. Brad Sevier
Sergeant
Troop C



Christopher M.
Arbuthnot
Corporal
Troop C



Paul M. Behrens
Corporal
Troop B



Jon A. Cluver
Corporal
Troop F



Scott M. Cummings
Corporal
Troop F



Jamey R. Diffie
Corporal
Troop C



Dave F. Echternacht
Corporal
Troop F



Don K. Jones
Corporal
Q/DDCC

Promotions



Bryan S. Silverthorn
Corporal
Troop I



Juston R. Wheatley
Corporal
Troop C



Ryan J. Wilhoit
Corporal
Troop A



Melissa A. Swinford
Asst. Chief Oper.
Troop H



Sandy A. Bock
Technician III
Q/CJISD



A. Jane Breen
DE III
Troop F



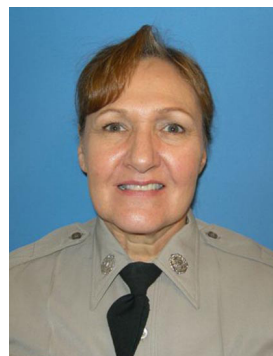
Brad J. Carr
CITS II
Q/ICTD



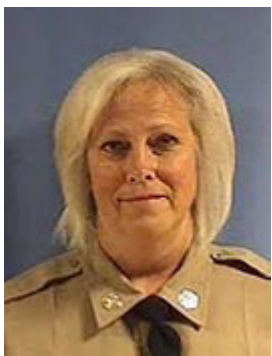
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Quality Control Clerk II
Q/TFD



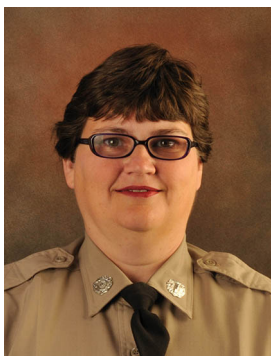
Debbie S. Clema
DE Sprv.
Troop B



Debra K. Curry
DE III
Troop A



Darlis F. Gulick
DE II
Troop D



Jane M. McClurg
CVE Insp. Sprv. I
Troop H



Meagan A. McCormick
Criminalist III
Q/CLD



F. Scott Michaels
DE II
Troop B

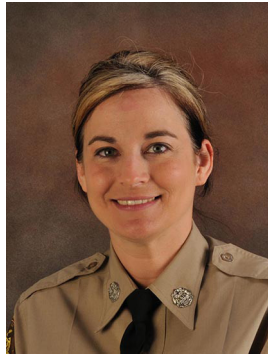


Candi R. Peak
Admin. Office Support
Asst.
Troop H

Promotions



Jeff M. Phillips
DE III
Troop C



Nicole A. Stratman
DE III
Troop I



J. Doug White
Bldg. & Grnds. Maint. II
Q/FFD

Tpr. Mason Honored For Career DWI Efforts

By Sgt. Mike W. Watson, Troop D

On April 17, 2014, Phelps Grove Park in Springfield, MO, was the venue for a ceremony remembering crime victims and honoring those who serve them. Included in the ceremony was the placement of bricks at the Victims Memorial Garden within the park to remember the crime victims and honor those who have worked on behalf of victims' rights. Among the bricks laid this year was one that honored Trooper John L. Mason, a member of Troop D, Zone 11, Jasper County. Tpr. Mason, a 15-year veteran with the Patrol, finished 2013 with a career total of 1,014 driving while intoxicated arrests. Mr. Jim Blaine, chair of the Springfield-Greene County DWI Task Force, recognized Tpr. Mason at the ceremony.

Tpr. Mason was recently recognized at the Patrol Awards Ceremony and The MASTERS' Banquet with a career achievement award for his efforts in removing impaired drivers from Missouri's



Tpr. John Mason, Troop D, (r) is recognized for his career total of 1,014 driving while intoxicated arrests.

roadways. Tpr. Mason's work has placed him second on the list of career driving while intoxicated arrests for

troopers who are currently employed with the Patrol.

THE MASTERS' CORNER

By Mrs. Elaine Libla, secretary

The annual meeting of The MASTERS took place on Saturday, April 12, 2014, at the Holiday Inn Executive Center in Columbia, MO. Newly elected director Rob Dallmeyer III was introduced to those attending the meeting. Rob was born and raised in Jefferson City, MO, he is a graduate of University of Central Missouri, and is an account executive with Winter-Dent and Company, Jefferson City. Rob has been a member of The MASTERS since 2003; his father, Robert Dallmeyer Jr., previously served on the board for 10 years.

Directors elected to serve as officers for 2014-2015 were Lynn Wallis, of Cuba, MO, president; Larry C. White, of St. Louis, MO, vice president; Jack Pahlmann, of West Plains, MO, secretary; and Wally Malins, of Marceline, MO, treasurer.

At the meeting, the board was pleasantly surprised and thankful to learn of a very generous donation from The MASTERS' members Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Drury and Drury Hotels of St. Louis. Another nice surprise recently came to The MASTERS from the Society of Retired MSHP Employees who made a donation of \$3,700. We appreciate their support in selecting our group for this gift. In February, the Rosciglione family held their annual bowling fundraiser at the St. Charles Lanes. This event is in remembrance of

their family member, J.P. Rosciglione, who died in a hit and run traffic crash in 2005. Through the hard work of this family, friends, and the owners of St. Charles Lanes, over \$9,000 was provided to The MASTERS. Many active Patrol members again stepped up to donate to The MASTERS through the Missouri State Employee Charitable Campaign. Donations pledged for 2014 through this program will exceed \$10,000 and are very much appreciated.

Other important events held during the year are: the Drury family of Bloomsdale Excavating golf tournament with proceeds from one of the holes going to The MASTERS; the Mungenast Automotive Family in St. Louis first ever "Roll for the Patrol" motorcycle ride; the MSHP Golf Tournament benefiting The MASTERS, and the Annual Charity Golf Tournament held by the Town & Country Police Department and Creve Coeur Police Department which has included The MASTERS. We are grateful to the groups that organize these events and to all who participate.

Three hundred twenty-nine The MASTERS' members, Patrol members, and guests attended the evening Missouri State Highway Patrol Annual Awards Ceremony and The MASTERS Banquet. Colonel Ron Replogle addressed the audience as the guest speaker and many well-deserved awards were presented by the Patrol.

This year's The MASTERS Public Service Award was presented to Sergeant Douglas J. Hedrick, Troop A, for the outstanding service he provides to his community both on- and off-duty.

New The MASTERS Lifetime Members recognized at this year's banquet were: Emily and Adam Wallis, of Chesterfield, MO; Melissa and Ryan Claus, of St. Peters, MO, and Lynn Wallis, of Cuba. Although not in attendance, the following new Lifetime Members also were recognized: Doug Weible, of St. Louis; David Fabick, of Hermann, MO; Sharon and Allen Hines, of Springfield, MO; Pam and Wes Stricker, of Columbia; Debbie Robertson, of Poplar Bluff, MO; Jon Wessel, of Springfield; and Michelle and Barry Aycock, of Parma, MO.

Through the vision of Thomas D. Graham, of Jefferson City, Fred Weber Jr. and John Fabick Sr., both of St. Louis, The MASTERS came into existence in 1979. The mission at that time was to provide assistance to the surviving spouse and dependent children of MSHP officers who lost their life in the line of duty. The year 2014 marks the 35th anniversary of The MASTERS, and our mission remains the same today. Thanks to the generosity of our many loyal members and friends, the foresight of the founders will continue in the years to come.



Col. Ron Replogle (left) stands with The MASTERS' executive board and directors.

The MASTERS: Standing In The Gap

By Sergeant D.J. Hedrick, Troop A

When I was asked to write a *Patrol News* article about my experience at the 35th Annual The MASTERS Banquet and the 24th Missouri State Highway Patrol Annual Awards Ceremony, I thought it would provide me with a great opportunity to express my thanks and gratitude to the Troop A Awards Committee members for selecting me as their nominee for The MASTERS Public Service Award. It is a wonderful and humbling feeling to be recognized by your peers for the service many troopers provide for their communities on a daily basis. The programs, events, and details I am involved in would not be possible without other Patrol members and employees contributing their time, dedication, and support.

The MASTERS or Missouri Association of State Trooper Emergency Relief Society was founded 35 years ago by Mr. Fred Weber Jr., Mr. John Fabick Sr., and Mr. Thomas D. Graham to ease the financial stress and

responsibilities for families of a fallen trooper. Through their vision of being a supporting and giving organization, 20 Patrol families have experienced the tremendous blessing The MASTERS was created to be when needed.

Troop C Color Guard members Sergeant Ed A. Blaylock, Corporal Jeff S. Graue, Corporal Alex H. Michajlicezenko, and Trooper Dallas R. Thompson opened the awards ceremony with the presentation of colors. The Troop C Color Guard was very impressive with their professional appearance and precise movements. Retired Chief Operator Roger M. Heard, a member of The MASTERS, assisted with the playing of the bagpipes. Trooper Andy A. Armstrong, Troop F, sang the national anthem, and Major Kemp A. Shoun, the master of ceremonies, welcomed everyone in attendance.

I was moved when the Roll Call of Fallen Heroes was given and their photographs displayed on the video screens. Knowing the circumstances and details of each fallen hero made me realize how precious life is and that each moment should be spent giving each other love, support, and positive reinforcement. We are only here on Earth for a brief moment, and our life should be one of service and encouragement to others.

Colonel Replogle was the keynote speaker and spoke on



Tpr. Andy Armstrong, Troop F, sings the national anthem.

the core values of the Patrol: Respect, Professionalism, Integrity, Responsibility, Compassion, Resourcefulness, Commitment, and Character. Col. Replogle expressed his gratitude and appreciation to members of The MASTERS who, like the Patrol, are a group of caring individuals who work together to provide a service for those in need with unwavering generosity and support. Col. Replogle gave those in attendance a history lesson about the Civil War and how important leadership, courage, decision making, and putting plans into action can be the difference in protecting lives. In the battle of Little Round Top, Colonel Joshua Chamberlin and the 20th Maine Regiment were asked to defend the Union Army's left flank. Many historians believe a breakthrough in the lines near Little Round Top could have resulted in a Confederate victory. The South never regained momentum.

Col. Replogle compared The MASTERS organization to the 20th Maine Regiment as they, too, "stand in the gap" when they provide support to Patrol families faced with the adversity of their trooper's death.

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(l to r) Mrs. Kelli Getman accompanied her husband, Auto. Tech. III Tyson C. Getman, to accept the Civilian of the Year award from Col. Ron Replogle.

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Col. Replogle, assisted by Captain Greg K. Smith, presented 22 Patrol awards to those who performed extraordinary acts without hesitation. I was impressed to read about each act of bravery, situational awareness, and their willingness to assist with exceptional response and training. It reaffirmed my pride in the Missouri State Highway Patrol and why I enjoy providing the community I serve with my time and service.

In her President's Message, The MASTERS' President Lynn Wallis recognized the Missouri State Highway Patrol as an outstanding group of individuals who work together as a cohesive unit and strong team to provide the best professional service and protection for those they serve. The members of The MASTERS exemplify the graciousness of giving and an unwavering willingness to provide assis-

tance. The word "give" is used over 2,000 times in the Bible, which shows how important giving is to God. I have witnessed how The MASTERS responds to a family in need of their assistance. The MASTERS' dedication and service for providing for those families are second to none.

It was truly an honor and privilege to attend the 24th Missouri State Highway Patrol Awards Ceremony. It is a wonderful and reassuring feeling to have someone standing on your left and right to face the battles ahead. The MASTERS increases that strong team bond by "standing in the gap," providing an unbreakable line of defense.



Tpr. Zack K. Bryan, Troop D, (center) accepted the Benjamin Oliver Booth Officer of the Year award from Col. Ron Replogle (l). Tpr. Bryan was accompanied by his wife, Kayla.

(A list of the awards presented can be found on the next page.)



The award recipients for the 2014 Patrol Awards Ceremony and The MASTERS' banquet are pictured. Congratulations to all of them!

Congratulations, 2013 Awards Recipients!

Congratulations to the following employees who accepted awards at the 24th Missouri State Highway Patrol Annual Awards Ceremony.

2013 Awards

The MASTERS Public Service Award

Sergeant Douglas J. Hedrick, Troop A

Career Milestone

Trooper John L. Mason, Troop D

Lifesaving Awards

Trooper Evan T. Hane, Troop I
Trooper Coby G. Holzschuh, Troop F
Trooper Michael T. Weakley, Troop G
Corporal Steven H. Crabtree, Troop I
Sergeant Donald M. Hedrick, Troop I
Corporal Thomas L. Hall, Troop D
Corporal Scott L. Nelson, Troop G
Corporal Joshua D. Owens, Troop A

Meritorious Service Awards

Trooper Adam J. Michels, Troop C
Trooper Joseph S. Palmer, Troop E

Meritorious Service Awards

Trooper Brooks A. Pratt, Troop E
Trooper Christopher J. Sullivan, Troop H
Trooper Zachary S. Wang, Troop C
Corporal Lance D. DeClue, Troop I
Sergeant Justin L. McCullough, Troop I
Corporal Kyle E. Easley, Troop B
Sergeant Nicholas D. Berry, Troop B

Civilian Of The Year

Automotive Technician III Tyson C. Getman, Troop D

Benjamin Oliver Booth Officer Of The Year

Trooper Zackery K. Bryan, Troop D

Valor Award

Trooper Daniel J. Johnson, Troop G
Trooper Jason W. Philpott, Troop G

Children's Trust Fund Honors Tpr. Sublette

By Sgt. Jeff M. Owen, Q/DDCC

On April 25, 2014, representatives of the Missouri Children's Trust Fund presented the Richard Easter award to Trooper Patrick D. Sublette, Q/DDCC, at the offices of the Division of Drug and Crime Control. The event was kept a surprise until Tpr. Sublette was ushered into a conference room and met by his wife, Molly, parents, and other family members. Also in attendance to recognize the award were Colonel Ron Replogle, Major Luke Vislay, Q/CIB, Captain Kyle D. Marquart, Q/CIB, Captain Sarah L. Eberhard, Q/DDCC, and other members of the division.

The Children's Trust Fund's Executive Director, Kirk Schreiber,

presided over the award ceremony. During the ceremony, Exec. Dir. Schreiber shared insight into the late Richard Easter's work at the Department of Social Services, explaining

how Mr. Easter worked tirelessly and vigorously, campaigning for additional resources to investigate child abuse. Upon his death, the award was created to recognize the efforts of a single person who best exemplified a commitment to protecting Missouri's children.

During the ceremony, Tpr. Sublette's merits for the award were listed. His selfless work, from investigating child pornography offenses to developing the infrastructure needed to complete those cases, has earned him the respect of his peers throughout Missouri.



Retirement

Major Dale A. Schmidt



Major Dale A. Schmidt, Q/SSB, began his professional journey in law enforcement around the ripe old age of eight. He explained that he lived on a farm and many of his relatives lived in the same area. His family received a telephone call alerting them that a man had escaped from a nearby prison and they needed to be careful.

"I remember everyone came to our house," Major Schmidt said. "My uncles stood outside, each holding a gun. Two troopers came along and talked to my dad and uncles. They seemed to be seven feet tall. One came up to me and said, 'Don't worry, we'll get him.' The escapee killed his hostage, but about an hour later troopers got him. I thought to myself, 'That's what I want to do.' There was a height requirement [5'11"] at the time, and I marked the wall as I grew. I tracked it until I was tall enough."

He graduated with an associate's degree in criminal justice from Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg, MO, in 1976. He first went to work for the Crawford County Sheriff's Office, and was employed there until he joined the Patrol on July 9, 1979. He retired on April 1, 2014, after over 34 years of dedicated service.

"There probably isn't an officer who doesn't remember the day they walked into the Academy. You knew it was going to be hard. But, there are days I have to say I thought, 'Man, am

I going to be able to make it?' But, the determination of everybody and support from others got me through."

"Deb and I got married on June 23, 1979, only a few days before I entered the Academy. She was attending the Missouri State University in Springfield, MO, for her master's degree. So, I went to Springfield every weekend."

"One lesson I felt came from the Academy was *professionalism* ... having respect for others. It was basically the core values we have today, although the agency didn't identify them as such at that time."

His first assignment was Troop A, Zone 2, Jackson County. He described it as a "rude awakening for a kid from a county of 11,000." He admitted to experiencing a bit of culture shock. He said his field training officer was Corporal Jack McMillen (now a retired sergeant), who was good to work for.

"Sergeant Andy Stratman was my zone sergeant for 10 years. He led by example; he was a hard worker who expected no less from the zone members."

Major Schmidt said he learned a lot of things really fast in Jackson County, because a lot happened there. He enjoyed the criminal work and served on the Major Case Squad. While he was assigned to Jackson County, he and his wife welcomed their son, Grant. His assignment was a blessing for a new father. "In Jackson County, we worked 28 days of days and then 28 days of nights. I kept Grant with me when I wasn't working. That was a good thing; we built our relationship early. We began fishing together very early." Major Schmidt says he and his son still fish together. They also hunt and run 5Ks.

In 1989, he was promoted to corporal and assigned to Cass County. But, he returned to Jackson County when he was promoted to sergeant in 1993.

"I loved being a zone sergeant," said Major Schmidt. "I've never had a bad assignment and always enjoyed where I went. But, the relationships

you build and camaraderie I enjoyed the most was as a zone sergeant. The families had barbecues and get-togethers. Being a zone sergeant was a good assignment. It is one of the best assignments on the Patrol."

In 1995, Major Schmidt was promoted to lieutenant and transferred to St. Louis. He said this, too, was a change in culture. St. Louis had more of an East Coast feel, where Kansas City was more of a western city. "I enjoyed it over there. The unknown part was how busy it was. It. Was. Busy. St. Louis was by far the busiest place I ever worked. At that time, [retired Lieutenant Colonel] Bill Seibert was the commanding officer of Troop C."

Major Schmidt said many of the scenarios used in the assessment center came from Troop C. "When I ran the assessment center we used one that happened to me. I got a call at lunch one day saying the president was coming to town—the planning meeting was in one hour and we had to put together a motorcade and security for the next morning. You're at lunch one day and less than 24 hours later you are on a presidential detail."

"In each position you do what's right and what's best for the employee while watching out for the organization," said Major Schmidt. "In Troop C, there were over 100 police departments, federal agencies, and sheriff's departments. At that level—a lieutenant—you develop relationships with those people. We worked hard to forge those relationships and keep them. I learned from Bill and Paul (retired Captain Parmenter) how to do that."

While assigned to Troop C, then-Lieutenant Schmidt put together the plan for the National Governors' Association event in St. Louis. He said it took a year and a half of planning and help from a lot of people. Forty-two governors, their spouses, and their children attended. "We were all over the place," he said. "It was a big event and turned out well. We had adequate man-

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Retirement

— Schmidt

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power and everyone did a great job. Putting the NGA together was the most rewarding, nerve-wracking assignment I had while assigned to Troop C.”

In 1997, he graduated from the Northwestern School of Police Staff and Command. The next year, he graduated from the Federal Bureau of Investigation’s National Academy. He said both were excellent training and that he made friends from all over North America with whom he remains in contact.

In 2000, he transferred to Troop F, Jefferson City, as a captain and the troop’s commanding officer. “Being commanding officer is between humbling and daunting,” he said. “You rely on folks to do their job and hold them up to standards of Patrol expectations. There again, you’re trying to build and maintain relationships—not just in zones, but with divisions, other state agencies, and county and city agencies. Being part of the community as a whole is important as a commanding officer. You need to be out in public and let them know what the Patrol is doing. I attended many events in the communities throughout Troop F. As troop commander, your job is to support all those divisions, and all those zones, and all the civilian employees. It’s a juggling act to ensure everything is in order, so the troop runs smoothly.”

Ten years later, he found himself packing his office at Troop F and preparing to transfer to General Headquarters as a major. “It is quite an honor to work with the Patrol’s command staff and see how much thought and deliberation go into every decision,” said Major Schmidt. They look at how a decision will affect the agency now, and look at how it will affect the Patrol 10 years from now. Looking back over his career, he admitted that as a trooper, forward thinking such as that, “... wasn’t on my radar. I thought, ‘I need this equipment to do my job and if

I have it I’m happy.’” As a sergeant, his focus was on that specific zone and the manpower needed. Once he became a lieutenant, he had a district to think about, but future planning still revolved around his specific area. “Troop commanders look at what they have to work with, and what’s happening in the troop. Are all of these positions where they need to be? Are all the areas covered? What can we do better to make this a better troop?” Once he became a major, his responsibilities encompassed a bureau, but also required him to look 10-15 years down the road. “Technology changes so quickly. What kind of cars will we acquire? Will the new technology work with current technology? The colonel needs all these little pieces to make decisions.”

“What I’ve liked about being a major is that there are still fires to put out,” said Major Schmidt. “You remember how things have worked in other situations, which helps when making decisions. To make good decisions, thinking at every position/level has to change.”

“As a trooper, one thing you don’t realize is the impact you have on people day in and day out. What you say ... What you do ... That impacts not only you as a trooper, but the whole organization.”

“I love to talk to kids,” enthused Major Schmidt. “Abraham Lincoln once said, ‘No man stands so tall as when he stoops to help a child.’ I’ve always thought of that and the impact a trooper had on me. I have always thought if I could talk to a child and have that impact on them ... It’s like witnessing. You plant a seed and never know if it is going to bear fruit. I think of that when I talk with a child at a car stop or in a restaurant or wherever I am that I notice a child staring at me. I think that’s a recruitment tool our folks should use every day.”

“My first commanding officer was [retired Colonel C.E.] Mel Fisher. He was a good leader. He always told me—

and I still visit with him today—Dale, never forget where you came from. I tried to always remember that. I may be a major in title, but I’m still a trooper. The people out on the street don’t know I’m a major, they see the uniform and see a trooper.”

In his last article in the “From The Staff” column of the *Patrol News*, he touched on the fact that so many Patrol employees volunteer. Major Schmidt says this volunteerism also has an impact in the communities where our employees live. He says as a troop commander you hear stories from people about what a Patrol employee is doing in their community. “It’s a good feeling that we’re out there every day working,” said Major Schmidt, “but we are also putting our hearts into the communities where we live.”

He, too, is a volunteer. “For eight years I’ve taken high school youth somewhere in U.S., from Utah to Rhode Island,” Major Schmidt said. The trips last 10 days and include work projects, fairs where the young people play music in a park and have hot dogs, and let children come for a backyard Bible group. The work projects helps build those youth. We went to New Orleans a year after Katrina and worked down there. We’ve gone to the inner city of Buffalo, NY, and Cleveland, OH. The impact of letting those youth see what’s going on in the world and not just Jefferson City, is important.”

After retiring, Major Schmidt will stay involved in the youth mission trips through Concord Baptist Church. He will also spend time hunting and fishing. “I’m one of those people who can’t sit still,” he admits. “I will probably do something else one of these days ... not sure what that will be.”

Major Schmidt’s wife, Debbie, is a teacher at Jefferson City High School and will continue to teach for a few more years. In October 2013, the Schmidts welcomed a daughter-in-law, Meghan, into the family. Grant and Meghan live in Warrensburg.

Retirement

Capt. Dwayne F. Isringhausen



Captain Dwayne F. Isringhausen, troop commander of Troop G, Willow Springs, MO, retired on March 1, 2014, with more than 35 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Missouri. Capt. Isringhausen began his career with the Missouri State Highway Patrol on January 15, 1979, as a member of the 49th Recruit Class.

He was born in Staunton, IL, and is a 1974 graduate of Edwardsville Senior High School in Edwardsville, IL. He attended Southwest Baptist College in Bolivar, MO, where he graduated in 1978, with a bachelor's of arts degree in religion. In 2004, he graduated from the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Academy in Quantico, VA.

When asked to name the most memorable event in his career, Capt. Isringhausen cited a homicide case in Ozark, MO. He was assigned to the Division of Drug and Crime Control when he investigated the case, which involved a man who sexually assaulted and murdered an 81-year-old woman. Capt. Isringhausen said the suspect was arrested and had five trials—and Capt. Isringhausen testified at all of them. He described the subject's arrest and subsequent convictions as a, "high point in my career."

Upon graduation from the Patrol Academy, he was assigned to Troop A, Zone 12, Ray County. In 1984, he transferred to Troop D, Zone 9, Dade County. He was promoted to corporal

on December 1, 1990, and designated the assistant zone commander of Zone 9. He transferred to the Division of Drug and Crime Control, General Headquarters, on March 1, 1991, and was promoted to sergeant on January 1, 1996. He remained in the Division of Drug and Crime Control until he was promoted to lieutenant and transferred to Troop G on October 1, 1999. He was promoted to the rank of captain and named Troop G's commanding officer on July 1, 2010.

Capt. Isringhausen said, "The biggest difference between my previous assignments and being a member of the troop staff was, when I worked the road I only had to motivate myself. When I became a troop commander, I had to motivate 60 people."

Capt. Isringhausen's son, Trooper Seth D. Isringhausen, Troop D, said he is extremely proud of his father and his dad's successful career with the Patrol. He went on to say, when his dad was growing up, he was never on any kind of team. He believes this is why his father was so successful and passionate about the Highway Patrol. Capt. Isringhausen genuinely cares about his co-workers and the employees he supervised.

Capt. Isringhausen is married to Sharon (Todd), they have four grown children: Bradley, Mark, and Seth Isringhausen, and Tara Thomas. They also have four grandsons and one granddaughter. Being foster parents, they have opened their home and hearts many times for children, even adopting two of them. They are active members of the First Baptist Church in Mountain Grove, MO.

Capt. Isringhausen's last day on the job was spent at the First Baptist Church in Mountain Grove, where over 100 of his friends, co-workers, and family celebrated his career. His retirement plans include a trip to the western part of the United States this summer, as well as many impromptu motorcycle rides. Capt. Isringhausen's Patrol family is thankful for him and his years of dedicated service. We wish him a long and enjoyable retirement.

Capt. Lee Ann H. Kenley



Captain Lee Ann H. Kenley retired from the Patrol on June 1, 2014, after almost 29 years of dedicated service. She grew up in a very small northern Illinois town called Bonfield. She was the oldest of three children born to Duane and Carol Higginbotham. Lee Ann began her career in law enforcement when the late Chief Stan Spadoni hired her as a radio operator for the Rolla Police Department at age 19. She became an officer at age 21, worked the road for a time, and prior to acceptance in the Patrol Academy, worked as a detective. Thanks to her recruitment by retired Patrol Sergeant David L. Erb and the encouragement of her Rolla PD FTO, now Herculeum Chief Mark Tulgetske, she was accepted in the Patrol's 57th Recruit Class on September 1, 1985. Sgt. Erb always claimed he had to recruit her so he would no longer be the shortest member of the Patrol. Now, all of you know who to blame!

Some of her classmates were Sergeant Robert Kimberling (killed in the line of duty on October 6, 1999), Lt. Colonel Sandra K. Karsten, and Retired Corporal Greg D. Kenley (which, by the way, is how she met her husband, Sam). When she and Lt. Col. Karsten graduated, they almost doubled the population of women in the Patrol. Lee Ann's first assignment was Troop E, Cape Girardeau, MO, which

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made her the first female assigned south of Interstate 44.

When given the assignment, she said her first thought was, “Troop E would have been my ninth choice of troops, and I couldn’t even spell Cape Girardeau. But, what an awesome place it was! I worked with a great group of guys. It took some of them a bit to get used to the ‘idea,’ but after they realized I was there for the same reason they were, it was a non-issue.” As time went on, her original zone sergeant, retired Sergeant Benny Hinton, felt the exasperation of her on occasion, and was known to say, “That Horn, she tries my patience!”

She enjoyed working the road, and her statistics reflected that. One of her memorable events was working an Air Evac helicopter crash. The helicopter had picked up an eight-year-old crash victim from a small Illinois hospital to transport him to the hospital in Cape Girardeau. A dense fog set in quickly as the helicopter was returning with the child, and after a brief broadcast to the Cape tower, the helicopter lost communication. She was called out for the search and after almost four hours, Lee Ann was the first emergency responder on the scene after a farmer reported the probable location. “It was a traumatic time and only one of four survived. I conducted the crash investigation, diagramed the crash, and even testified in a FAA hearing.”

As most of you know, she spent many years in DDCC as a narcotics investigator. When asked how she became interested in narcotics, she recalled her work as a detective in Rolla. During that time, she met two of the Patrol’s undercover investigators—former DPS Director Mark James and the late Sergeant Joseph Crump. After meeting them, then assisting with a multi-jurisdictional round-up from their long-term undercover operation, she was in awe. Years later, and after

stopping former Patrol Sergeant Alan Foust, who was working as an undercover officer, the intrigue led her to apply for a narcotics position. In 1989, Lee Ann became the first female assigned to the DDCC Narcotics Unit.

Lee Ann was assigned to Missouri’s first drug task force—the Southeast Missouri Drug Task Force. “What a unique experience. I always said, ‘I think I got higher buying it than they could ever get using it.’ Working undercover is pretty hard core, knowing who you are and what they are capable of, and still going in and doing the do.” During her career in narcotics, Lee Ann achieved the rank of corporal in October 1992. In the late spring 1993, she was assigned to the Mineral Area Drug Task Force, where she was placed in charge of the task force and the Patrol narcotics team, which included 11 counties.

“Being in charge of a task force is a challenging experience—supervising many officers from various agencies under Patrol policies and procedures is an animal all its own.” Lee Ann was promoted to sergeant in February 1995. “My time in narcotics showed me a whole different world. We worked a number of high profile cases; one which was led by retired Patrol Sergeant Kevin Glaser that resulted in a cash seizure of \$1.1 million.”

After spending just a few months shy of 10 years in narcotics, Lee Ann was promoted to lieutenant in Troop I on June 1, 1999. “I had been off the road for so long it was a culture shock. While reviewing a DWI report, I had to ask a colleague when the law regarding administrative suspensions for the intoxication level changed from .13% blood alcohol level to .10% (which we now know is .08%). Yeah, I had a lot of catching up to do! Oh, and if you are interested, pilots are .02% ...” And, yes, while a lieutenant, she married Sam Kenley, a captain with American Airlines. In 2003, she laterally transferred to Troop C where she remained for

five years. While there she recalled a time when Sam returned from a flight while she was working nights and was in the office at the Troop C Headquarters. Sam was buzzed in the front door, approached the front desk and when asked how he could be helped told the attendant, “Tell Lieutenant Kenley, Captain Kenley is here to see her.”

Lee Ann attended the Northwestern University Traffic Institute School of Police Staff and Command in 1999, as well as the 206th session of FBI National Academy with graduation on September 7, 2001, just days before 9-11 when our world forever changed.

On September 1, 2008, Lee Ann was promoted to Troop I as the first female troop commander. “As many have heard me say, I have been blessed in my career with the Patrol. But, being able to end my law enforcement career where it started is awesome. Being in Rolla with all those who watched me mature, and now lead a troop for one of the nation’s most highly respected law enforcement agencies is an honor I never expected. Gordon Graham, respected law enforcement professional, attorney, and speaker, explained the importance of leaving your agency in better shape than when you began. To do that it takes discipline and courage—doing the right thing for the right reasons; no matter how tough it might be. I feel like I tried to do that. And, if you genuinely care about people and lead them with your heart, they will care about you and work hard—even if the road gets a bit bumpy. But, no matter what, you can do whatever you want with hard work and dedication. I have had the opportunity to do so many things that most only dream of.”

Sam and Lee Ann are retiring together, with a plan to build their retirement home on the Current River, just outside of Doniphan, MO. They also plan to travel in their motor coach to see and do all the things they’ve never had time for in the past. With a number

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of common interests, like hunting, fishing, jeeping, and scuba diving, they will stay very busy.

"I have met and worked with so many, and of course, through the years developed lifelong friendships. I want to thank all of you who have helped me along the way; and a special thanks to my family and husband, Sam, for all their love and support during this amazing journey."

Thank you, Lee Ann, for your dedicated years of service. The employees of the Patrol wish you a long, healthy retirement!

Chief Scale Maint. Tech. Jeffrey E. Rook



On June 1, 2014, Chief Scale Maintenance Technician Jeffrey E. Rook, Q/CVED, retired after serving 32 years with the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Jeff began his career with the Missouri State Highway Patrol on May 1, 1982, when he was assigned to the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division as a scale maintenance technician apprentice. On May 1, 1986, he was promoted to scale maintenance technician. He was promoted to chief scale maintenance technician on May 31, 2009.

Jeff is a native of Glasgow, MO, and graduated from Glasgow High School

in 1979. Following high school, Jeff attended Linn State Technical College. He graduated in 1981, with an associate's degree in electronics. In addition to working for the Patrol for 32 years, Jeff has taught ATV safety classes since 1992.

Jeff married Karla (Keller), a native of Utica, MO, on July 20, 2013. They have two grown daughters, Bethany Davis, of Chillicothe, MO,

and Kristin Breder, of Centertown, MO. Jeff's mom, Mary Rook, resides in Glasgow, MO.

Now that he's retired, Jeff and Karla plan to ride ATVs and motorcycles all over the United States, stopping to partake in another of their favorite pastimes—bowling.

We wish Jeff a long and enjoyable retirement. Thank you for your many years of dedicated service.

Retiree Luncheon Planned For August 15

Missouri State Highway Patrol retirees (and their spouses), surviving spouses, and special guests are invited to attend a retirees luncheon from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, August 15, 2014. Lunch will be served at noon, but fun and fellowship will occur the entire time! The emcee will be our own retired Sergeant Fred "The Voice" Suroff! We plan to have some door prizes, too (feel free to provide one). You'll find us at First Baptist Church, 2 North Douglas, Lee's Summit, MO. The cost is \$11 per person and checks should be made payable to Pat Spire.

Your hosts for the event are:

- *Ret. Sgt. Pat Spire*, 816-229-0154, 3400 NW 51st Terrace, Blue Springs, MO, 64015, email: pvspire@prodigy.net.
- *Mr. Fount Foushee Jr.*, 816-331-1994, 7910 East 159th Street, Belton, MO 64012, email: wff7910@aol.com.
- *Ms. Virginia Fenton*, 816-461-6898, 720 Sunset Drive, Independence, MO 64050.
- *Ms. Ruby Williams*, 816-524-7626 or 816-806-8566, 120 SE Ridgview Court, Lee's Summit, MO 64063.

RESERVATION SLIP

Please return by August 1, 2014

Name: _____ Spouse/Guest: _____

Troop: _____ Years of Service: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Please mail checks to: Pat Spire, 3400 NW 51st Terrace, Blue Springs, MO 64015

Congratulations On Your Retirement!



Fredric J. Gilbert
DE III
Troop C

*Retired March 1, 2014.
Eight years of dedicated Service.*



Nancy E. Lock
Admin. Office
Support Asst.
Troop H

*Retired March 1, 2014.
31 years, eight months of
dedicated service.*

Sandra K.
Schoene
Lab. Evid. Tech. II
Q/CLD

*Retired March 1, 2014.
33 years of dedicated service.*



Jenny M. Smith
Criminalist III
Q/CLD

*Retired March 1, 2014.
26 years of dedicated service.*



Marlin T. White
CVO Sprv. I
Troop H

*Retired March 1, 2014.
28 years of dedicated service.*



Kyle L. Carroll
Trooper
Troop H

*Retired April 1, 2014.
Five years of dedicated service.*

Congratulations On Your Retirement!



Marty K. Elmore
Sergeant
Troop G

*Retired April 1, 2014.
31 years of dedicated service.*



Sheldon A. Lyon
Sergeant
Troop H

*Retired April 1, 2014.
28 years, seven months of
dedicated service.*

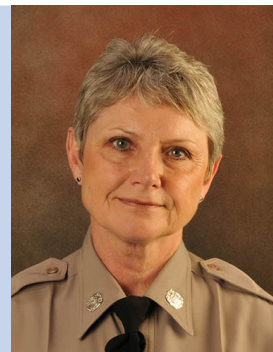
**Gilbert L.
Rodenberg**
Sergeant
Q/GD

*Retired April 1, 2014.
34 years of dedicated service.*



**Hannah D.
Slayden**
DE III
Troop H

*Retired April 1, 2014.
Seven years, six months of dedicated
service.*



Dawna K. Martin
DE III
Troop A

*Retired May 1, 2014.
17 years of dedicated service.*

Deaths

Donald R. Jones



Donald R. Jones, 85, of Park Hills, MO, died on March 11, 2014, surrounded by his loving family, at Country Meadows Nursing Center in Park Hills. He was born July 27, 1928, in Desloge, MO, to the late Earl and Alma (Eaves) Jones. Donald worked 30 plus years as a driver examiner for the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Robin Jones, and one brother, Robert Earl Jones.

Donald is survived by his wife, Marcia (Rowland) Jones; a son, Richard Jones and his wife, Alicia, of Jefferson City, MO; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation took place at C.Z. Boyer and Son Funeral Home in Desloge, on March 12, 2014. The service was held in the C.Z. Boyer and Son Chapel on March 13, 2014, with Steve Stillman officiating.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Jones family.

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“He who has never learned to obey cannot be a good commander.”

— Aristotle

Donald W. “Don” Brown Sr.



Donald “Don” W. Brown Sr., 63, of Poplar Bluff, MO, went home to be with our Lord on Tuesday, March 18, 2014, at St. Louis University Hospital in St. Louis, MO.

Mr. Brown was born on November 29, 1950, in Poplar Bluff. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Poplar Bluff. Mr. Brown had retired as a commercial vehicle enforcement inspector for Missouri State Highway Patrol.

As a youth he was a member of the Boy Scouts, and one of his favorite memories was spending time with Gramps on the farm at Hendrickson. Mr. Brown enjoyed being a chauffeur for his granddaughters, camping at Bucksnot, horseback riding, and collecting coins and knives.

Survivors include three children: Donald W. Brown Jr. and his wife, Melissa, of Poplar Bluff, Holly Ann Kopp and her husband, Dan, of St. Charles, MO, and Stacie Dichsen and her husband, Andrew, of O’Fallon, IL; his mother and stepfather, Marilyn and Jim Hastings, of Poplar Bluff; several grandchildren: Taylor, Peyton, and Austin Dichsen, Cody Brown, Kaitlyn Kopp, and Alyssa and Gracie Brown; one great-grandchild, Landon Brown; three sisters, Sandy Brown, Karen Hast and her husband, Dennis, and Ruth Brown, all of Poplar Bluff; a brother, Jamon Brown, of Waynesville, MO; and several nieces, nephews, and many friends.

His father, George D. Brown, preceded Mr. Brown in death.

His family is comforted with the knowledge that he is enjoying a grand reunion with many loved ones and friends that went before him.

A visitation occurred on March 23, 2014, at First Baptist Church in Poplar Bluff. The funeral service followed, with Dr. William Vail officiating. Memorials may be made to Missouri Wild Horse League, P.O. Box 301, Eminence, MO 65466.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Brown family.

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Benny R. Hinton



Benny R. Hinton, 75, of Jackson, MO, died on Thursday, April 10, 2014, at Chateau Girardeau Health Center in Cape Girardeau, MO. He was born August 13, 1938, in Cape Girardeau, to the late George Dewey and Eileen V. (Spain) Hinton.

He was a graduate of Cape Central high school where he was an outstanding basketball player. Benny then went on to earn a bachelor’s degree in criminal justice from Southeast Missouri State University.

Benny and Nelda Ruth Morton were married February 10, 1973, in Millersville, MO.

Benny served his country in the U.S. Marine Corps and served at Subic

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Bay in the Philippines. After he was discharged, he went to work for the Cape Girardeau Police Department. He then worked for the Missouri State Highway Patrol for 30 years.

He was a member of New McKendree United Methodist Church, Scottish Rite, Excelsior Lodge # 441 AF &AM in Jackson; Cape Shrine Club; Missouri State Troopers Association; Elks Lodge #639, in Cape Girardeau; Cape Girardeau V.F.W. Post 3838; Order of Eastern Star; Cape Girardeau American Legion Post 63; Grand Order of Sword of Bunker Hill; and the Subic Bay Marines Association.

Survivors include Benny's wife, Nelda Ruth Hinton, of Jackson; sons:

Anthony "Tony" Hinton, of Illinois, and Scott Hinton, of Massachusetts; stepson, Mark Morton, of St. Louis, MO; four brothers, Gerald Hinton and his wife, Ann, of Jackson, Henry Hinton and his wife, Jeannie, of Jackson, Terry Hinton, of Cape Girardeau, and Mike Hinton and his wife, Mary Lou, of Sikeston, MO; three sisters, Marsha Hinton of Cape Girardeau, Nancy Irvine, of Reno, NV, and Carolyn Klueppel, of Eureka, MO; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation took place on Sunday, April 13, 2014, at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home, and included

an Excelsior Lodge service provided by Lodge #441 AF&AM. The funeral service occurred on Monday, April 14, 2014, with Rev. Jimmie Corbin officiating. Burial with military rites followed.

Memorial contributions may be sent to New McKendree United Methodist Church, 209 S. High Street, Jackson, MO 63755, or Shriners Hospitals for Children, 2001 S. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63131.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Hinton family.

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ICTD Hosts New Communications Operator Academy

By Chief Roger Martin, Q/ICTD

Ten probationary communications operators completed the three week New Communications Operator Academy on February 28, 2014. The Information and Communications Technology Division's Operations Section hosted the training, which was held at the Patrol Law Enforcement Academy. During the course, probationary operators completed the public safety communications telecommunicator course, cultural awareness, and computer-aided dispatch courses. They also completed training and exercises covering administrative message writing, critical incident reporting, and standard Patrol communications procedures. Guest instructors from troop communication centers and several Patrol divisions provided expert instruction in standards, and insight into Patrol and troop procedures and day-to-day operations.

The graduates are listed below:

- Prob. Comm. Oper. Jonathan J. Askew, Troop C



Pictured is the most recent class of probationary communications operators: (back row, l to r) Jonathan Askew, Brent Lovelace, Melanie Stallsworth, Brian Lusk, Andy Graves; (front row, l to r) Chelsey Nelson, Chris Norton, Janelle Pierson, Stephanie Gray, and Chris Feilner.

- Prob. Comm. Oper. Chris D. Feilner, Troop C
- Prob. Comm. Oper. Stephanie L. Gray, Troop D
- Prob. Comm. Oper. Chelsey B. Nelson, Troop F
- Prob. Comm. Oper. Brent W. Lovelace, Troop G
- Prob. Comm. Oper. Brian J. Lusk, Troop H
- Prob. Comm. Oper. Janelle G. Pierson, Troop H
- Prob. Comm. Oper. Melanie A. Stallsworth, Troop H
- Prob. Comm. Oper. Andy L. Graves, Troop I
- Prob. Comm. Oper. Chris L. Norton, Troop I

Prob. Comm. Oper. Chelsey B. Nelson, Troop F, accepted the "Harry W. Duncan" Director's Award for the highest overall grade point average.

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Michael D. Kingree



Mr. Michael D. Kingree, son of the late Dow and Velma Lee (McRoy) Kingree, was born in Dexter, MO, on August 19, 1950, and died at the Southeast Health Center of Stoddard County in Dexter, MO, on April 5, 2014, at the age of 63 years.

Mr. Kingree lived in Southeast Missouri and Bloomfield, MO, most of his life. He was retired from the Missouri State Highway Patrol and was a member of the NRA. Mr. Kingree enjoyed the simple life and was an avid outdoorsman. Most importantly, his life revolved around being a husband, dad, and grandpa.

On May 27, 1972, he was married to Jeanne Harper in Bloomfield.

Surviving are his wife, Jeanne, of Bloomfield; two sons: Richie Kingree and his wife, Kristi, of Arnold, MO, and Rocky Kingree, of Van Buren, MO; two daughters: Adriane Kingree and Allison Sifford, both of Bloomfield; eight grandchildren: David Kingree, Madison Kingree, Audrey Kingree, Kaitlyn Kingree, Logan Jones, Lakin Kingree, Kendyl Sifford, and Jamison Sifford; two brothers: Larry Kingree, of Cape Girardeau, and Steven Kingree, of Jackson; and one sister: Donna Hutchison, of Bloomfield. Other relatives and many friends also survive.

Visitation took place on Monday, April 7, 2014, at the Chiles-Cooper

Funeral Home in Bloomfield. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, April 8, 2014, at the Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield, with the Rev. Ronnie Stevens and Rev. Dwight Hensley officiating. Chiles-Cooper Funeral Home in Bloomfield handled the arrangements.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St Jude Place, Memphis TN 38105.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Kingree family.

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Looking Back ... in the Patrol News

45 years ago

May 1969 — The Patrol's new computer system was highlighted. It was an IBM Series 360 model 40. In another story, readers learned that Communications Engineer Glenn R. Barnett, Troop G, took it upon himself to develop a method for remotely controlling a patrol car radio outside the vehicle. He used four Army surplus control boxes mounted on a heavy aluminum base coupled with an A.C. power unit, power junction box, and antenna.

40 years ago

June 1974 — The front cover showed the Patrol's new display trailer. Each side of the trailer displayed photographs—recruit training, historical, highway signs—and could be pulled by a car.

35 years ago

May 1979 — The Bomb & Arson Unit graced the front and back covers of this issue. On the front, Sergeant Carroll Plunkett and Corporal David Hart were removing equipment from their van. On the back cover, the officers were using an X-ray machine to view inside a package. In this case, the X-ray revealed a hand grenade was set to go off when the package was opened.

30 years ago

June 1984 — The front cover showed the Olympic Torch as it traveled through Missouri. More than 150 criminal justice personnel from around the state attended the MULES conference in Jefferson City. The Criminal Records Division (now CJISD) continued to automate criminal history information.

20 years ago

May 1994 — Troop C hosted a weapons familiarization and safety class for the wives of its members. One article related that Driver Examiner Henry Spencer was in two traffic crashes on the same day while administering driving tests. Of course, both drivers failed the test. The article suggested DE Spencer receive hazardous duty pay.

10 years ago

May/June 2004 — The "Our Keepers" column highlighted Tpr. W. Kyle Crose, Troop A, and Sgt. Ralph E. Silvers, Troop I, who had just returned from duty in Iraq. A picture showed Radio & Telecommunications Technician 1st Class Bob Chaney and Chief Telecommunications Engineer Lou Wehmer, both Troop G, hosting "Wake Up, Willow!" a local, Saturday morning radio show.

~ Thank You ~

The PSA created by Pleasant Hope High School was selected as the winner of the contest through Special Olympics. I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to Patrol employees for all of their likes, tweets, and support for this worthwhile project.

*Sincerely,
Mr. Jacob Conklin
Pleasant Hope High School
(Editor's note: Mr. Conklin is the son of Lt. Sid Conklin, Q/DDCC.)*

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My family and I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, and expressions of sympathy following the death of my mother, Helen Wintermeyer. The attendance of the Patrol family at her visitation and funeral was something I will always remember and cherish. God bless and thank you all.

*Ret. Admin. Office Support Asst.
Jill E. Speckhals*

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Thank you for all of the thoughts and prayers after the death of my dad, Bob Deshler. Your kindness helped me through a difficult time. Thank you for your assistance.

Lt. B. Tim Deshler, Troop A

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The family of retired Sgt. O.R. Boyd thanks the Patrol family for your comforting presence and expressions of sympathy received following Ray's passing. It is good to know we can always count on the MSHP and Troop C.

*Sincerely,
Patsy, Steve, Delaynee, Brad, and Melissa*

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Colonel Replogle,

Please extend our sincere appreciation to the Patrol family for those who said a prayer, called, emailed, sent a card, served as pallbearer, or in any way extended their sympathy after our dear wife and mother lost her six-year long battle with cancer.

*Sincerely,
Ret. Lt. David P. Reynolds &
Traci Fox*

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I want to thank all of you who worked so hard to give me a wonderful party and celebration. Thanks for all the wonderful food, cakes, decorations, music, and the movie that made me reminisce. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart for all the love and support shown me. And for all the people who came, called sent cards, brought gifts, and did so many special

things to make my day so wonderful and memorable. It was wonderful to see so many I have worked with, current employees, friends, and family. Thank you, again, and you'll never know how much it lifted my spirits to see how many care when life knocks you down. God's richest blessings, and thank you for your prayers.

*Much love,
Charlotte F. Fowler*

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We would like to express our sincere thanks for the prayers, thoughts, cards, phone calls, flowers, food, and memorial contributions following the death of Linda Marie Anders. Linda was a great wife, mother, sister, aunt, and friend who will be greatly missed by all. We would also like to thank all those who attended the visitation and the funeral service. The thoughtfulness and support our families received is greatly appreciated and will be forever remembered.

*Ret. Lt. Thomas L. Meyer
Lt. Scott E. Meyer, Troop H*

Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy goes to the following personnel who have lost a member of their family:

Comm. Oper. III Kathy Simpson (H) - brother, sister
Capt. Dave A. Hall (Q/MIAC) - father
CVE Insp. II Truman D. Doolittle (H) - father
Ret. Lt. Kenneth C. Kerns - wife
CVE Insp. I Ryne S. Branum (E) - grandfather
DE III Karen A. Kolieboi (C) - niece
Ret. Sgt. Morris H. Poe Jr. - mother
Ret. Lt. David P. Reynolds - wife
DE Sprv. Randy S. Markham (E) - father

Sgt. Dave M. Markham (E) - father-in-law
Lt. B. Tim Deshler (A) - father
Tpr. Katherine L. Hammerling (C) - grandfather
Comm. Oper. II Dori L. Svardal (D) - stepmother
Cpl. Kyle D. Wilmont (I) - grandmother
Clerk Typist I Alicia D. Nelson (A) - mother
CVE Inspector III Taremba Karizamimba (E) - sister
Lt. Mike A. Turner (F) - father-in-law

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Gov. Nixon: I Am Immensely Proud Of You

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

Governor Jay Nixon welcomed everyone personally before addressing the group. "We spend a fair amount of time trying to serve the public," he said. "There is a huge level of cynicism toward government. However, employees like you show the public what kind of service we perform."

Gov. Nixon was referring to Trooper Joseph S. Palmer and Trooper Brooks A. Pratt, both Troop E, at the April 2014 State Employee of the Month award ceremony. The recognition took place on April 28, 2014, inside the Governor's Office.

"I am immensely proud of you for going the extra mile," said Gov. Nixon.

The governor was referring to an incident where these troopers dove repeatedly into freezing water in an attempt to rescue a driver trapped inside a vehicle after a traffic crash. (See page 12, "DPS Recognizes Palmer, Pratt" for the story.)

About the incident that led to the award, Tpr. Pratt said, "There wasn't a choice about getting into the water. I knew I had to get in the water to help free the driver. It's only second nature to help others in need. I know any other trooper would have done the same thing. Tpr. Palmer and I knew since we were on scene within five minutes of the vehicle submerging under the water

there was a chance we could possibly free the driver and save her. We knew we couldn't give up, no matter the circumstances. Unfortunately, we weren't fast enough."

A solid con-

tingent of co-workers attended the ceremony. "I was amazed by the Governor's Office," said Tpr. Pratt. "The different state seals located at the top of the wall around the room were unique, and the big, colorful Missouri state seal located on the ceiling was quite impressive."

Tpr. Pratt said he was honored and humbled to be recognized by Gov. Nixon along with Colonel Ron Replogle and other members of the Patrol. "It's a humbling feeling knowing Gov. Nixon and Col. Replogle took time out of their busy day to recognize me for something I didn't expect," he said.

In addition to the governor, Col. Replogle spoke briefly during the pre-



Co-workers and family surround Tpr. Brooks Pratt (l) and Tpr. Joe Palmer (r), both Troop E, after they accepted State Employee of the Month awards from Gov. Jay Nixon (center).

sentation. He praised Tpr. Palmer's and Tpr. Pratt's bravery and dedication, and said the two troopers personified the Patrol's core values.

Captain George E. Ridens, Troop E, added his congratulations, "My congratulations go to Troopers Palmer and Pratt for their recognition as April State Employees of the Month. They performed above the call of duty in a dangerous situation. I think they will both tell you they were just doing their job. I really appreciate the governor recognizing these officers for their exemplary service."

Congratulations, Troopers Palmer and Pratt!